BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2001-24-C - ORDER NO. 2001-134

FEBRUARY 9, 2001

| IN RE: Application of Texas HomeTel, Inc. d/b/a 877-Ring |) | ORDER 4 |
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| for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity | | ESTABLISHING |
| to provide Local Exchange Telecommunications Services | ĺ, | PREFILING |
| and for Flexible Rate Structure for Local Exchange |) | DEADLINES |
| Services |) | |

This matter is before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) for the purpose of establishing pre-filing deadlines for testimony and exhibits. Pursuant to 26 S.C. Regs. 103-869(C)(Supp.1998), the Commission hereby orders that twenty-five copies of the testimony and exhibits of the Applicant shall be pre-filed on or before March 21, 2001, and that twenty-five copies of the testimony and exhibits of the Commission Staff and/or intervenors shall be pre-filed on or before April 4, 2001. (Material may be post-marked on these dates.) Also, any rebuttal testimony and exhibits shall be pre-filed on or before April 11, 2001, and any surrebuttal testimony and exhibits shall be pre-filed on or before April 13, 2001. (Material must be in the offices of the Commission and in the hands of the parties on these dates.) It should be noted that acceptance into the record of surrebuttal testimony and exhibits is subject to the discretion of the Commission. In addition, parties shall serve their pre-filed testimony and exhibits on all other parties of record as required by the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All parties are reminded that all witnesses must be present during any

hearing in this matter at the call of the Chairman, or the Commission may decline to allow the witnesses' testimony to be read into the record of the proceeding, and/or may decline to allow the witnesses' exhibits to be entered into the evidence of the case.

Please take notice that any party requesting modification of this schedule must file a request for such modification with the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director

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